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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

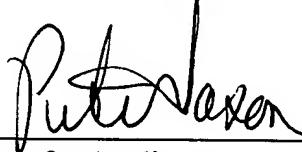
The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is found in the specification where cited, in an attached abstract and, if provided, in a corresponding U.S. patent.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be initialled and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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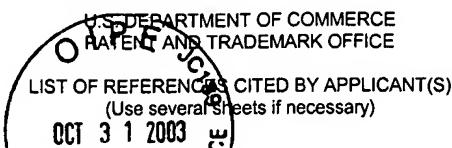
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*EXAMINER INITIAL	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	6,077,636	6/00	Moriki et al.	430	45	
	6,081,681	6/00	Nagase et al.	399	174	
	6,128,456	10/00	Chigono et al.	399	176	
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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JP	60-69660	4/85	Japan			Abstract
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